

## Local Agency Formation Commission of Napa County Subdivision of the State of California

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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**TO:** Interested Parties

**FROM:** Brendon Freeman, Executive Officer

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Public Review and Comment:

Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence Update for the

**Monticello Public Cemetery District** 

The Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) of Napa County has issued a draft

report on its municipal service review and sphere of influence update for the Monticello Public Cemetery District (MPCD). The review and update is required under State law and intended to verify, with or without changes, MPCD's sphere for purposes of demarking the area the Commission believes represents the agency's appropriate and probable future jurisdiction and service area. All jurisdictional changes, such as annexations and detachments, must be consistent with the affected agency's sphere with limited exceptions. Further, while not effecting land use authority or landowner rights, spheres are the Legislature's version of urban growth boundaries and represent LAFCOs principal planning tool in fulfilling their mandate to facilitate orderly urban development and sustainable municipal services.

The draft report and its analysis on potential sphere modifications for MPCD is predicated on adhering to the policy interest of the Commission to consider the District's role in providing public cemetery services within its jurisdictional boundary. This involves, notably, considering the need for services relative to MPCD's ability to provide these services efficiently and in a manner consistent with sensible land uses based on the adopted policies and preferences of the Commission. The draft report recommends the Commission re-affirm MPCD's existing sphere with no changes.

Electronic copies of the draft report are available for review by visiting Napa LAFCO's website at <a href="www.napa.lafco.ca.gov">www.napa.lafco.ca.gov</a>. Hard copies of the draft report are also available for review at Napa LAFCO's administrative office during normal business hours. Napa LAFCO invites any interested member of the public to submit written comments on the draft report and/or any related matter through Monday, June 27, 2016. Written comments submitted by e-mail should be directed to Brendon Freeman at <a href="mailto:bfreeman@napa.lafco.ca.gov">bfreeman@napa.lafco.ca.gov</a>. Written comments received by the deadline will be incorporated into a final report, which is expected to be considered by Napa LAFCO as part of a public hearing during a special meeting as early as July 18, 2016. All interested parties are encouraged to attend the public hearing and provide testimony.